



MEMORANDUM

TO: Superintendents, Principals

FROM: Amanda Culhan, School Counselor Consultant

DATE: January 7, 2011

SUBJECT: School Intervention and Career Counseling Development Fund

The School Intervention and Career Counseling Development Fund is a grant that partially pays the salary of a full-time, licensed Elementary (K-6) School Counselor. If interested in applying for this grant of \$15,000/year (totaling \$30,000 for two years) to partially fund a full-time elementary level School Counselor, please read the details below (application available at: http://www.doe.in.gov/sservices/counseling/current_events.html).

****Note that since this is a budgetary session in the General Assembly, the availability of this funding has yet to be determined.***

- Indiana Code 20-20-17 provides guidelines for the allocation of funds to Indiana schools serving students in grades K-6 for the purpose of “addressing a documented need for a new or expanded school intervention or career counseling program.”
- The annual grant award to each selected school totals \$15,000 to be applied to the salary of a full-time elementary level school counselor.
- Grant applications are reviewed by an advisory committee. Consideration will be given to schools based on the following criteria:
 - Equitable geographic distribution – schools in urban, suburban, and rural areas will be given equal consideration
 - Consideration of the percentage of students within the school corporation who are designated at risk
 - Promotion of innovative methods for initiating and expanding school intervention or career counseling programs
 - Programs that demonstrate the greatest potential for replication and implementation
 - Impact on counselor / student ratios where excessively high
- Grant funds would be available starting August, 2011 and ending June 2013 (\$15,000 each year for two years pending available funds, totaling \$30,000).
- Applications are due to aculhan@doe.in.gov by Friday, January 21, 2011. Applicants will be notified of selections by Friday, February 11, 2011.

Any questions related to this grant/application should be directed to:

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